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Promise of jobs ahead as construction starts

RIGHT: An artist's impression of how the new Banbury Gateway shopping site should look once completed

WORK STARTS ON £80m SITE

WORK began this week on a new £80m retail park near junction 11 of the M40 at Banbury.

Local MP Sir Tony Baldry attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the Banbury Gateway project on Tuesday.

The development will go on the site of motorsport firm Prodrive and will include Marks & Spencer, River Island, Arcadia and Primark.

The Acorn Way, Wildmere Industrial Estate development will also include restaurants.

The plan would create 1,000 full-time and 225 part-time retail jobs, developers said.

Bosses from LXB Properties and McLaren Construction expect work to finish by next summer for a Christmas opening.

They said 90 per cent of its units had been let at the development, approved by Cherwell District Council in 2012 after a court battle.

Conservative Sir Tony said: "This is a fantastic further development that builds on

By Oliver Evans

Banbury's geographical location and it's one of the reasons why we now have unemployment significantly below one per cent."

The principal of LxB Properties, Jon McCarthy said: "We are delighted to be able to start building this new exciting retail scheme."

The firm is taking forward the scheme for the Crown Estate, which had bought and is funding the development.

The project manager for construction firm McLaren, John Maley, said businesses would be built in three clusters.

He said: "We're building Marks & Spencer, River Island, Arcadia and Primark first, so they'll be completed and handed over before the others.

"The final phase will be to complete the car park. The project is due to be completed during September next year."

Prodrive is still trading on part of the development site and will move to new premises near the M40 in March.

The development has raised concerns among some town centre traders that it would pull trade away from Banbury town centre.

The owners of Banbury Cross Retail Park and the Castle Quay shopping centre lost a High Court battle to halt the plan in December last year.

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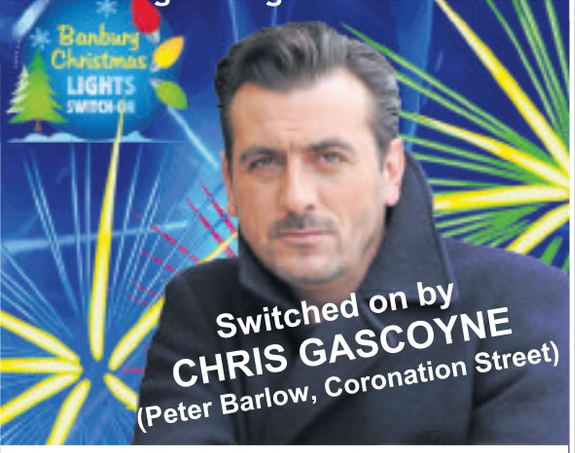

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Tories draw up all-women shortlist for MP seat

THE next Banbury MP could be a woman as the North Oxfordshire Conservative Association's prospective candidates list has no men on it.

Taking to *Twitter*, the association said its executive council had interviewed five men and six women, and settled on a shortlist of four women.

The group added that candidates were "interviewed and assessed objectively" and "gender was not a factor".

It added it would not release the names of the potential candidates.

The successful candidate would replace Sir Tony Baldry, who is stepping down at next year's General Election.

In 2010 Sir Tony, *pictured left*, held the Conservative stronghold with a majority of 18,000.

List of events throughout the north of the county

County set to salute the victims of war

By Oliver Evans

REMEMBRANCE Sunday and Armistice Day events will be held this Sunday to remember those who lost their lives in conflict.

Church services, parades, ceremonies at war memorials and a two-minute silence will honour people who gave their lives.

Special events will also be held to commemorate the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War.

These include three events in Cherwell.

There will be a laying of wreaths at **Banbury** on Sunday.

The day starts at 10am when there will be a parade from Banbury Town Hall to St Mary's Church for a 10.45am service, followed by the laying of wreaths at the war memorial in People's Park and a return parade for dismissal in Broad Street.

Meanwhile, a Remembrance Sunday Parade will also be staged at **Bloxham** on Sunday. It starts at the War Memorial at The Square at 10.45am. The assembly of ex-service personnel and all uniformed youth groups will be followed by a parade marching to St Mary's Church, Church Street, for a service of dedication. After the service the organisations will parade to the Elephant and Castle pub.

In **Bicester** this Sunday, there will be a Service of Remembrance at St Edburg's Church, Church Street. This will start at 9.30am. Later, at 10.45am, the town mayor, together with civic leaders, will join a parade through the town of uniformed groups.

At **Kidlington**, a service will be held on Sunday at St Mary's Church, Church Street, at 10am. There will be two minutes' silence at 11am before a parade marches up to High Street.

On Tuesday, November 11, there will be a two-minute silence in Kidlington's High Street at 11am.

Royal British Legion Oxfordshire chairman Jim Lewendon said the Poppy Appeal was vital to support service personnel.

He said: "These young lads coming from Afghanistan need so much care and attention, and we need to give it. It's a very special and important event to me."

Mr Lewendon has been selling poppies on behalf of the RBL for over 40 years.

The Poppy Appeal UK target is £40m after raising £39m last year.

Planners back plan for 160 homes

PLANS for 160 homes, including 48 that are classed as affordable, north of Hanwell Fields, Warwick Road, Chipping Norton, have been approved by councillors.

Cherwell District Council's planning committee approved the Amber Developments scheme last Thursday.

The site is included in the council's draft Local Plan – a planning policy blueprint that sets out where major housing developments should be allowed up until 2031.

The Hanwell Fields plan includes access via Dukes Meadow Drive, using an existing roundabout, and is next to another site in the draft Local Plan for 350 homes.

The council's planning chief, Michael Gibbard, said: "Cherwell is not responsible for setting housing targets or determining the criteria for what is considered a sustainable site under the Government's National Planning Policy Framework.

"However, the council is responsible for meeting those targets and applying the guidelines accordingly."

● A developer has launched an appeal against Cherwell planners' decision to refuse 54 new homes north of Hook Norton Primary School.

The council rejected the plans, off Sibford Road, last month over concerns that new residents would be affected by the work of a dairy unit at neighbouring Redland Farm.

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Masked gang in shop raid

AN undisclosed amount of cash was stolen and a member of staff threatened during a raid at Tesco Extra in Banbury early on Monday morning.

Five men wearing balaclavas broke into the Lockheed Crescent store through a fire exit at about 2.30am.

They levered open the self-service till using crowbars before taking cash and leaving the shop.

A member of staff was threatened but no one was injured.

Det Con Claire Argent, from Banbury CID, said: "This was obviously a pre-planned and organised attack on the Tesco store.

"If anyone was around Banbury in the early hours that morning and saw anything that they think might help with our investigations, please contact us immediately."

Anyone with information should contact police on their hotline, 101.

New hope for F1 team

THE Banbury-based Marussia F1 team could be back on the grid before the end of the season.

The team, which went into administration on Monday of last week, is now hopeful it could have cars on the track for the Abu Dhabi season finale.

Marussia, like fellow financial strugglers Caterham, were given dispensation to miss last Sunday's American Grand Prix and next weekend's Brazilian race.

A good performance at the end of the Grand Prix season, with double points available, could be crucial to securing the Marussia team's future.

Back-to-back top ten places would lead to a £25m windfall.

The team has been placed in administration under London-based restructuring and recovery firm FRP Advisory.

Marussia F1 is believed to have lodged an entry for next season under their original name Manor Grand Prix.

It is understood new investors have been lined up and, with financial help on its way, the team's freight is being readied to be hauled to Abu Dhabi for the final Grand Prix of the season on November 23.

It is reported Caterham's administrators have said the team could be wound up in the next two weeks unless a buyer comes forward.

Around 200 jobs are under threat at the Leafield-based team.

Movie-filming bid is withdrawn

PLANS to increase the number of filming days at Heyford Park's flying field from 28 to 125 a year have been scrapped.

Dorchester Group, which is building 763 homes at the former RAF base, had applied to Cherwell District Council for more filming days.

But late last week the developers withdrew the application for extra days ahead of the district council's planning committee meeting.

Somerton Parish Council and villagers had raised objections to the plans.

Local farmer Andy Corner said: "When they filmed *World War Z* – which starred Brad Pitt – we were woken at 3am with screaming zombies, machinegun fire and explosions.

"I am happy for them to do things like the filming, they just need to have a little more respect."

Hospital staff set for second walkout over pay dispute

Unison official Mark Ladbrooke

NHS workers in Oxfordshire are to stage a four-hour strike on Monday, November 24, as part of nationwide walk-outs.

Midwives will be among those joining the protest at a yet-to-be-announced time following a national ballot.

Members decided to take action after the Government refused to follow an independent pay review board's recommendation of a one per cent increase for all.

Instead, only staff without automatic pay rises got a one per cent rise this financial year. It follows a 7am-to-11am walk-out on October 13, which included the Royal College of Midwives for the first time in its 133-year history.

Unions set to take part include Unison, Unite and the Royal College of Midwives.

Unison Oxfordshire Health branch secretary Mark Ladbrooke said: "We anticipate there will be strong support across Oxfordshire for further strike action.

"Clearly living standards have fallen dramatically over the last few years, particularly around Oxford where we have London prices without London wages.

"We have attempted year after year to negotiate with the Government but with no success. There is also a big issue with the living wage in Oxfordshire because thousands of NHS staff are paid less than the living wage."

The chairman of NHS trade unions Christina McAnea said: "All we are asking for is fair pay."

This strike earlier last month saw hundreds walk out and pickets protesting outside a host of county hospitals. A Department of Health spokesman said: "We are disappointed by this decision.

"NHS staff are our greatest asset and we want to make the current pay system fairer, which is why we have put forward proposals that would ensure all staff would get at least a one per cent pay rise this year and next – but these have been rejected by the unions.

"We can't afford a consolidated pay rise in addition to increments without risking frontline jobs."

Telephone scam fear

A MAN, who was left with a £631 phone bill after a relationship with a woman he met on a dating website, believes he was the victim of fraud.

Banbury security officer Timothy Brown said he spent hours talking to the woman after meeting her on Oasis Dating.

His contract with network operator EE gives him free calls to other networks, so he said he was shocked to be told he had "gone over his credit limit".

The National Fraud Intelligence Bureau in London is now assessing his case, to see whether it should be investigated further.

The 47-year-old, who lives in Calthorpe Road, said he thought he had begun a real relationship with the woman.

He said: "I was convinced it was genuine. "We had a lot in common. We had a lot of

By Pete Hughes

deep conversations." Mr Brown, who works night shifts, met the woman who said she lived in Plymouth, on oasisdating.com two weeks ago.

Within days, she gave him her personal mobile phone number.

He said he made a "large number" of calls to the woman, some two hours or longer, a few in the early hours of the morning.

Then EE told him he had exceeded his credit limit of £550 and was asked to pay £631 by November 10.

He spoke to the woman again and asked her: "What have you done to me? That's no ordinary mobile phone." She responded: "It is", then he said the call was cut off.

He said: "I couldn't believe she didn't know what was going on."

Mr Brown said he had since tried calling her and sent several emails but had no response.

He said he wanted to warn other dating website users to beware of similar scams and not get tricked.

Mr Brown said: "I was astonished EE would let the bill get that far before informing me. You would hope the phone company would at least query something like this."

He said: "At first I was surprised she gave me her number so quickly, but I didn't question it.

"I have been with EE for years and I have unlimited minutes to other networks any time."

He queried the amount and said an EE operator told him to call the police as he might have been the victim of a scam.

An EE spokesman said: "We are looking into Mr Brown's case as a priority."

Banbury security officer Timothy Brown

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Woman hurt as car flips

■ A WOMAN was taken to hospital after her vehicle overturned in Heyford Road, Middleton Stoney, last Thursday morning. Police were called at 8.43am to reports of an accident involving a Vauxhall Corsa on the B430, between Ardley Road and Port Way. Heyford Road was closed in both directions and reopened two hours later. A South Central Ambulance Service spokesman said the woman was taken to the John Radcliffe Hospital with minor injuries.

Cycling total

■ MORE than 30 staff at Banbury-based coffee firm Mondelez International have raised £30,000 for the British Paralympic Association with a nine-day bike ride. During September, they took part in the Deloitte Ride Across Britain, a 969-mile bike ride from Land's End in Cornwall to John O' Groats in Scotland. Andrew Bowles, business development and engineering manager for Mondelez, said: "The ride was definitely one of the toughest challenges I have ever taken part in but to raise so much for the association made it worthwhile."

■ Stumbling block is revealed over council's 'forgotten' land sale

Footpath hitch for new discount supermarket

A LEGAL hiccup has delayed the start of building work for a discount store in Chipping Norton because the county council had "forgotten" it had already sold the land needed for a footpath linked to the project.

By Banbury reporter

German foodstore chain, Aldi, was granted planning permission for a store in the town on the former Highways depot at Cromwell Business Park, in May.

The nod of approval from West Oxfordshire District Council's uplands planning committee had included the change of use for the site off Banbury Road.

Now, a stumbling block has been unearthed linked to a legal agreement surrounding access for pedestrians and cycles. The proviso attached to approval was that the store had to provide a footpath link to London Road. This was agreed.

Now it has transpired that this should never have been suggested as the county council had transferred ownership of the land required for the footpath some years earlier to Country Estates, in Cromwell Business Park.

At a meeting of Chipping Norton Town Council recently, West Oxfordshire district councillor Geoff Saul told members that the district council was urging the county council to negotiate with Country Estates to see if they would allow access across their land.

Mr Saul said that £35,000 from Aldi had been ring-fenced for either footpath or access improvement and path widening, though the pedestrian footpath and cycle route to London Road was favoured the most.

He said that if the money was not used within five years it would have to be given back to the store.

Mike Tysoe, the chairman of Chipping Norton Town Council, suggested they too contact Country Estates.

He said: "We need to write and implore them they have a sensible negotiation with Oxfordshire County Council. We think that would make sense."

A spokesman for Oxfordshire County Council said permission for planning was still valid but a 2009 High Court ruling stated that any pathway crossing the landscape strip retained by Oxfordshire County Council could not be introduced without permission of Country Estates, which owns the adjacent Cromwell Park.

He added: "The council will continue to petition Country Estates to permit the path and have set aside £35k for the creation of this path or to improve access by sustainable modes at other entry points."

However, Mathew Jeal, Country Estates land and planning manager, said it was the first he had heard about the legal agreement and no one from the county council had yet been in touch.

No one at Aldi was available for comment.

Wombling day for waste

THE Wombles were out in force to help people in Banbury reduce household waste as part of the national Big Tidy campaign.

A partnership between Sanctuary Housing and Cherwell District Council saw a day of eco-friendly events take place in the town last week.

Shoppers in Banbury were greeted by Wombles, who told them how to reduce waste, and 1st Easington Brownies dressed up as Wombles and took part in a litter pick.

Cherwell District Council lead member for clean and green Tony Ilott said: "Hopefully this event will have inspired people to think more closely about where and how they live and what steps they can take to ensure it is as clean and green as possible."

Tony Ilott with one of the Wombles at the Big Tidy event in Banbury

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'Phoenix' warehouse plan approved

RIGHT: Flashback to the major fire that engulfed the cash and carry and Gem Tool hire buildings in Beaumont Road, Banbury, on December 6 last year

THE site of a former cash and carry warehouse – destroyed by a fire – has won planning permission for a replacement building.

The Oak Cash and Carry building in Beaumont Road, Banbury, was destroyed by a blaze in October 2013, leaving only a concrete plinth.

Last Thursday, Cherwell District Council's planning committee granted site owners Hill Street Holdings permission for three industrial units, with offices, to be built over the next three years.

Cherwell's planning chief, Michael Gibbard, said: "This planning application has come about following a devastating fire last year, which many people in Banbury will remember.

"The application is not controversial as it is simply seeking to re-establish premises that were destroyed in the blaze.

"As such, we have no objections and wish the applicant Hill Street Holdings well in their efforts to rebuild on their site."

The new building will be 11 metres high and have a floor space of 3,909sqm with three industrial units with office spaces on the first floor.

Outside, there will be 44 parking spaces and areas for heavy goods vehicles.

RIGHT: Mayor Mike Tysoe with Drain Doctor technicians Shawn Sykes, *left*, and Jon Parker

Pipe problem is finally flushed away

A DRAIN that has been a serious inconvenience to a community in Chipping Norton, has been solved by the town's mayor.

Mike Tysoe decided enough was enough after the persistent problem had been going on for more than four years.

Several investigations by contractors failed to find out why the public toilets near the town hall are plunged into darkness every time it rained.

Now the cause of the problem has been flushed out after Mr Tysoe engaged the services of local technician Shawn Sykes who works for Drain Doctor.

However, initially he too couldn't see the problem.

"We couldn't resolve the problem on the first visit but arranged to go back and carry out further investigations. It transpired it was a blocked rainwater stack below ground and behind false walls, so we cut into the cast iron stack and then cleared the blockage with a high-pressure jet," said Mr Sykes.

The result was a free-flowing drain for the first time in years and, hopefully, a permanent solution.

Mr Tysoe added: "I am relieved that it has been fixed. This has been a problem since before I joined the council. The town clerk and myself were determined not to give up.

"I am very grateful to Shawn, who lived up to the drain doctor name and remedied the situation in a very short time."

Rap for civic newsletters

Pickles in 'taxpayer-funded propaganda' jibe

By Alex Wynick

COUNCIL "propaganda" papers should be scrapped say some residents after discovering they cost almost £122,500 in the last year to produce.

A Freedom of Information request revealed the cost of council newsletters and magazines throughout the county, with Cherwell District Council spending the most.

It shelled out £53,464 last year producing 60,000 copies.

It is one of four councils in Oxfordshire to produce free news updates for residents, with only the Vale of White Horse District Council and Oxfordshire County Council opting not to.

Earlier this year Eric Pickles, the Government's communities secretary, labelled council newsletters "taxpayer-funded propaganda" and said he was considering legal action against five London councils to close their publications.

He called it a "corrosive abuse of public money", adding: "All councils should be looking at cutting out waste and unnecessary spending. By continuing to publish so-called newspapers, councils are ultimately damaging local democracy and an independent, free press."

But Cherwell District Council's communications chief, Kieron Mallon, said they were an important source of news for people who did not use the Internet.

Mr Mallon said: "Many residents rely on our magazine, *Cherwell Link*, which reaches every home in the district, for essential council-related information.

"Social media is an increasingly important form of communication and we operate highly effective *Twitter* and *Facebook* sites, both with a large number of followers.

"But there is still a place for printed material aimed at reaching those members of the community who are not frequent users of the Internet, either through choice or because of poor rural connection speeds."

Oxford City Council spent £19,332 on its *Your Oxford* newsletter in 2013/14, including almost £11,000 on postage. Local resident Donald Young said he thought the newsletter should be distributed more sensibly.

The 76-year-old former street cleaner said: "I have the house and I also have two garages.

"Every three months or so I get a letter with the rent statement for my house and a little newsletter. The next day I will get a rent statement for one of the garages and a newsletter – and the day after that I will get the same again with a third newsletter. It is a waste of money."

Student Jonathan Bell said: "I think it is a waste of money because I don't see what they are going to have in it that the normal media wouldn't have."

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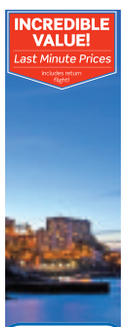

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Charity to benefit from tales of family's nine-generation business

Former town vet swaps scalpel for author's pen

A CHIPPING Norton vet, the last of nine generations of Walkers in the business, has put pen to paper for posterity.

Alan Walker has written his biography, packed with tales of colourful characters in the racing world – both equine and human.

In his book, *Four Legs and A Tale*, he also traces the development of the family practice he inherited from his father, from its humble origins in a small, white, tin-roofed shed in the back yard of the old manor house, into a modern veterinary hospital.

The book, which took him four years to produce, also provides a nostalgic glimpse into country life in rural England.

Mr Walker recalls a time when his father and grandfather still did their rounds in a pony and trap and mixed all their own potions, using herbs and plants they either grew or collected from fields and hedgerows.

The 68-year-old, who made his name working with the likes of well-known trainers Jenny and Mark Pitman and John and Paul Webber, said: "When I retired from the partnership at the Hook Norton Veterinary Surgery people said to me

By Banbury reporter

'You really must write a book'.

"My children, Lucy and George, decided to pursue other careers, so it seemed the right thing to do."

The Walkers have served the same rural North Oxfordshire community as farriers and then vets since the late 17th century.

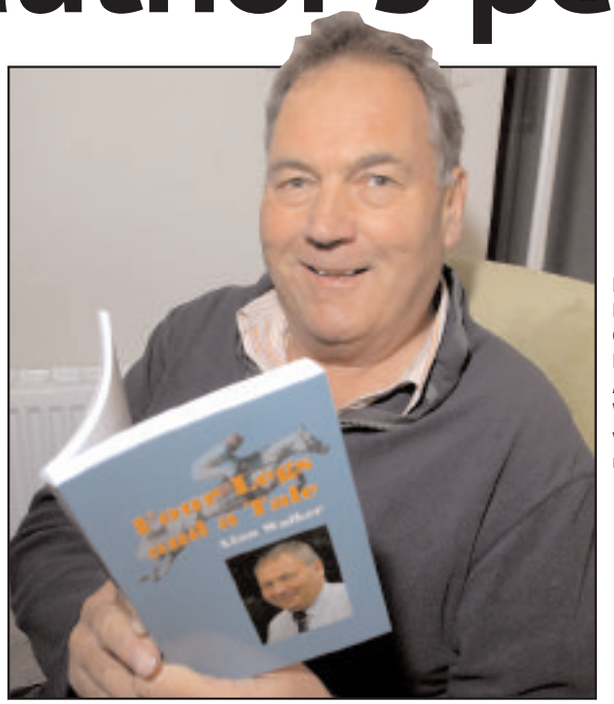
The 300-year-old family tradition was started by John Walker (1674-1737).

He lived and worked in Long Compton as a farrier, shoeing the coach horses that stopped off there, at one or other of the four coaching inns located just north of the village.

Alan, the first to gain full formal RCVS qualification as a veterinary surgeon, went on to specialise in the treatment of racehorses.

Twenty per cent of the proceeds from the book will be donated to the Injured Jockeys' Fund.

For details of book-signing events, visit hooknortonvets.co.uk. The book, costing £12.50, is available at the firm's vet surgeries in Chipping Norton, Hook Norton, Deddington and Charlbury.



LEFT: Former Chipping Norton vet Alan Walker with his new book

Business awards up for grabs

ENTRIES are open for next year's Cherwell Business Awards.

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Finalists are automatically entered for the Oxfordshire Business Awards.

Nominations run until the end of January, finalists will be announced at the end of March and winners in May next year.

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The man with the magic touch

PAUL Daniels and Debbie McGee are taking to the road this autumn to show off their favourite magic tricks and new illusions. And they will be stopping off to provide an evening full of comedy and amazement at Banbury's Mill Arts Centre on Saturday, November 15.

Paul and Debbie burst on to our TV screens on the BBC back in 1979. Then, *The Paul Daniels Magic Show* topped the ratings.

Now, decades on, their last two nationwide tours, *Hair Today Gone Tomorrow* and *From Legend to Leg End*, still garnered critical acclaim for them and sold out in many venues across the country.

In May this year, Paul was awarded the prestigious Golden Grolla award, one of the most ancient Italian film awards, which has expanded beyond the film industry to include other art forms.

The Masters of Magic Congress awarded it this year to Paul for his outstanding services to magic. Paul said he was "so proud to receive this award".

And it all started for him on holiday at the age of 11. Paul read a book on "How to Entertain at Parties" and since then he has been entertaining the masses, from tricks for servicemen to audiences in their millions on prime-time TV.

Opportunity literally knocked in 1970 when Paul was spotted by a TV producer and he was soon hosting BBC1's *The Paul Daniels Show*.

He went on to host a number of other television series, ranging from *Every Second Counts* to *Wipeout*.

In recent years, Paul has appeared on *Da Ali G Show*, *Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway*, *Strictly Come Dancing* and, alongside Debbie, on cult TV show *When Louis Met…*, *Wife Swap*, *The Farm*, and *The X Factor: Battle of the Stars*.

Paul performed at the Prince of Wales Theatre in the heart of London's West End in his own show *It's Magic*, one of the longest-running magic shows ever staged in London. He also designed special effects for stage and screen including *Cats, Phantom of the Opera, the Nutcracker* and Hollywood movie *Return to Oz*.

He has also developed a career in motivational speaking which aids businessmen and women in their speeches and presentations.

ABOVE: Paul Daniels and Debbie McGee BELOW: The couple in their heyday back in the 1970s

Feted around the world, Paul is the only magician to receive all of the top awards of the famed London Magic Circle, and even New York and Hollywood have honoured his magical achievements.

Debbie's career has also spanned a wide range of show business genres, incorporating classical ballet, modern dance, cabaret, theatre, television and films.

After finishing her training at the Royal Ballet School, Debbie joined the Iranian National Ballet until political changes forced her to return to the UK.

Back home, she went into the more commercial side of dance and appeared on many TV light entertainment shows and even toured with ABBA.

Passing one audition changed her life when she landed a role as dancer in the *Paul Daniels Summer Show* in Great Yarmouth and the rest, as they say, is history.

Since then, Debbie has fulfilled a lifelong dream becoming artistic director and choreographer of the highly successful classical ballet company, Ballet Imaginaire.

As well as presenting the well-known classics *Swan Lake* and *Coppelia*, Debbie has created two completely new classical ballets, *The Artist's Dream* and *Phantom*.

Since June 2008, Debbie added the role of Radio DJ to her credits, as she now presents her own Sunday morning radio show on BBC Radio Berkshire.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT

Seeking your views on the detail of development on land East of Southam Road, Banbury, Oxfordshire

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You are invited to a public exhibition of plans being held by Bellway Homes in respect of the detail of development on Land East of Southam Road, Banbury, Oxfordshire.

The land, which is also referred to as Hardwick Farm, already benefits from outline planning permission for development of up to 510 dwellings, school, and publically accessible open space.

Representatives from Bellway Homes and their consultants will be available to discuss the detail of the residential development with you and there will be an opportunity for you to provide your comments at the Event.

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If you are not able to attend the event, you can still provide feedback by e-mail: natalie.buckley@bidwells.co.uk or by post to: Bidwells Planning Team, Bidwells, John Ormond House, 899 Silbury Boulevard, Milton Keynes, MK9 3XJ.

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TREAT ME RIGHT Down-to-earth, 33 year old Bedfordshire female, 4'11'', blonde hair, blue eyes, medium build, heart of gold. Seeks a genuine male for dates and maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 181269 or send a text to 80360**

TIME OF OUR LIVES Sociable, affectionate and relaxed Bedford female, 35, enjoys cinema, days out and the country, now seeking a happy, uncomplicated man, to share a happy, loving future together. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 155988**

PROFESSIONAL BUT FUN Sincere, friendly, 37 year old Witney female, would like to meet a professional, sincere, hard-working, truthful gentleman, to enjoy nice meals out, holidays and maybe more in the future. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 179901 or send a text to 80360**

MAKE A REAL MATCH Informed, outspoken and stylish Bedford female, 46, would like to meet a tidy, articulate gent, for caring and happy times together. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 171327 or send a text to 80360**

TASTE OF ROMANCE Shy and sincere Bedford-based female, 46, enjoys all the quiet things in life, now searching for a genuine, faithful and sincere man, to build a friendship and loving times together. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 172147 or send a text to 80360**

CATCH A FALLING STAR Caring, loving, loyal, 47 year old Buckingham female, 5'4'', curvy, brown eyes, enjoy going to pubs, dancing, music. WLTM a loyal, independent male, for companionship and maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 165815**

QUALITY TIMES Sunny, loving, divorced, loyal Swindon girl, 47, 5'3'', average-build, likes restaurants, walks, travelling, looking to find a tactful, endearing male, for love and an honest future together. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 138116**

COULD IT BE MAGIC? Spiritual and genuine Didcot woman, 48, attractive, fun, with grown up children, likes clubs, cafes, music, films, walks and reading, seeking a caring and optimistic man, for friendship first. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 123828**

WITH OR WITHOUT YOU Emotional, reliable and sensitive Witney girl, 49, 5'5'', enjoy cosy nights in, cinema and holidays abroad. Just looking to meet an independent, reflective gent, for fun and maybe a little romance. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 140276**

QUIET AT FIRST Quiet, affectionate, black Luton woman, 50, would like to meet a happy, stable, loving man, for companionship and a little bit of romance. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 149025**

MEET AND GREET Slim, honest Milton Keynes female, 51, 5'3'', enjoys keeping fit and all the normal things, searching for a decent, romantic man, to share loving times and future happiness. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 172417**

LET'S LIVE A LITTLE Kind, 51 year old Milton Keynes female, 5'3'', blue eyes, blonde hair, like going out for meals, cosy drinks, walking and cosy nights in. Seeks a sincere, honest, reliable male to get to know. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 174590 or send a text to 80360**

A BIT OF ROMANCE Caring, sincere and bubbly, 51 year old Bedford woman, grown-up children, enjoy country walks and cinema trips. Would like to meet a male for a long-term relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 179883**

A GOOD COMPANION Loving, 52 year old Bedford female, enjoy music, walking, swimming, cooking, gardening and pub lunches, dog owner, looking for a genuine, kind, sincere man for companionship and maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 179768 or send a text to 80360**

ONE LOVE Warm-hearted, caring and selfless Aylesbury female, 52, 5'6'', searching for an energetic, trustworthy male, good sense of humour a must, for friendship and romance. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 155653**

HOPE THERE'S SOMEONE OUT THERE Caring, honest and loving, 53 year old Milton Keynes female, would like to meet a male for friendship, going out for meals and possibly more, who knows? **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 180004 or send a text to 80360**

START LIVING AGAIN Friendly, fun Oxfordshire divorced mum, 53, 5'7'', grown up children, looking for love again and someone to share life with. Is the right man out there for me? **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 798804**

NEXT CHAPTER Positive, endearing and happy-go-lucky Banbury female, 54, divorced, good sense of humour and positive, would like to meet a reserved, mellow man, to share the future with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 172351**

ARE YOU OUT THERE? Genuine Bedford lady, 54, slim, loyal, caring and friendly, enjoys swimming, cycling, cinema, walks and dining out, would like to meet a genuine male, for friendship and romantic times. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 152922**

ARE YOU MY MAN? Sincere, 54 year old Bedford lady, 5'3'', brunette, slim, enjoy eating in and out, walks, places of interest and swimming. Would like to meet a genuine male, aged 55-58, for friendship and more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 173512 or send a text to 80360**

TO THE FUTURE Flexible, life-loving, optimistic, divorced Abingdon lady, 55, 5'7'', non-smoker, wants to meet a feisty, adventurous gentleman, 44-54 for friendship, hopefully leading to committed relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 138484**

ANYONE FOR LOVE? Happy, 56 year old Luton female, widow, enjoys holidays and travel, cooking and entertaining. Would like to meet a happy, jolly male, with a good sense of humour, to enjoy evenings in and out. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 167294 or send a text to 80360**

MY HAPPY ENDING Down-to-earth Aylesbury female, 57, non smoker, widow, enjoys holidays, days out, socialising and more, searching for a similar man, to share interests, friendship and happy times. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 177528 or send a text to 80360**

SOMETHING LASTING Perceptive, polite and romantic Bampton woman, 57, my children and grandchildren are a huge joy in my life. I would like to find an energetic, consistent man, to share the future with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 167144**

FILLED WITH LAUGHTER Bubbly, caring Oxfordshire female, GSOH, searching for a genuine, nice, caring guy, also with a great sense of humour. 5'10''+, med build, for friendship and maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 171086 or send a text to 80360**

SINCERE FRIENDSHIP Friendly and cuddly, 58 year old Buckingham female, widow, enjoy walks, meals out and drinks out. Would like to meet a sincere male for friendship and maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 177102 or send a text to 80360**

SIMILAR TO MYSELF? Cuddly, honest, witty woman, 59, 5'3'', N/S, blonde hair, likes swimming, the theatre and weekend breaks away, seeking a humorous, reliable male, with similar interests, to share a life together. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 153853 or send a text to 80360**

ARE YOU MY MATCH? Kind, 59 year old Abingdon female, 5'2'', red hair, medium build, love gardening, DIY, fun cosy nights in and cats. Seeking a genuine man with a good sense of humour for a romantic relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 173744 or send a text to 80360**

HOPING TO MEET YOU Very outgoing, 59 year old Witney lady, enjoy evenings out, theatre, cooking and walking. Would like to meet a gentleman for company and hopefully more in the future. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 179562**

SAME WAVELENGTH? Warm and sincere Abingdon female, 60, enjoys cycling, boot sales and walking the dog, would like to meet a calm, genuine and honest man, to share friendship and enjoy happy times with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 178761 or send a text to 80360**

TABLE FOR TWO? Genuine, sincere, 60 year old Witney lady, loves going to concerts and listening to music. Would like to meet a fun-loving gentleman with a vest for life, for friendship and more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 172746**

SENSUAL Down-to-earth, vibrant, sensual Milton Keynes woman, 60, blonde hair, would like to meet an open-minded, kind, understanding gent, for fun, friendship and maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 156926**

EIGHT DAYS A WEEK Sincere, honest and fun South Oxford female, 61, brunette, widowed, with many varied interests in life, simply searching for a genuine and loyal man, for dining, walks and nice shared company, **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 179012**

THIS ENCHANTED EVENING Intelligent, smartly dressed, 64 year old Witney female, widow, who enjoys socialising, theatre, cinema and holidays. Seeks a male to spend the evenings and weekends with who has similar interests. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 170119**

MAYBE ROMANCE Blonde scarlet, 64, seeks her beau, for fun times and maybe romance, enjoy being active, Pilates, table tennis, cycling, walking and dancing. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 179554 or send a text to 80360**

BRIGHTEN MY DAY Down-to-earth, 64 year old Bicester female, enjoy reading, gardening, rugby, watching sports, eating out, holidays, short breaks, theatre and cinema. Seeks a male for friendship initially. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 175514 or send a text to 80360**

HITTING THE RIGHT NOTE Quite, polite and easy-going Milton Keynes female, 64, would like to find a nice man of similar age, for nice company and maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 179624 or send a text to 80360**

SWEEP ME AWAY Fun, loving, educated, amusing Tring woman, 64, enjoys music, the country, conversation, home life, books and more, now searching for a tall, fun-loving male companion, for friendship and more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 178788 or send a text to 80360**

DESCRIBE YOURSELF Fun loving Bedford male, 65, open minded and active, likes cosy times in, social drinks, reading and music, would like to meet a male, for friendship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 154642 or send a text to 80360**

SPARE TIME Reliable, honest and sincere Milton Keynes lady, 67, 5ft, non smoker, widowed, happy and thoughtful, would like to meet truthful, honest gent, for friendship and maybe a loving relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 174357 or send a text to 80360**

COMPANY AND MORE Friendly, honest, 67 year old Aylesbury female, retired, widow, non-smoker, like holidays and camping. Would like to meet a male aged 60-65 for company, maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 176427 or send a text to 80360**

RELY ON ME Happy, friendly, christian woman, 67, enjoys long walks along the coast, puzzles and 60s music, looking for a N/S, christian man, to share friendship and a little bit of romance. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 149039 or send a text to 80360**

SIMILAR HEARTS? Caring, 68 year old Luton female, 5ft, brunette, enjoy gardening, reading, music, singing, walks in the country, eating out, cooking, travel, dancing, conversation and days out. Seeks a nice male. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 179957**

COMPANY AND CONVERSATION Kind, faithful and honest Bedfordshire female, 68, would like to meet a tender and caring man, to enjoy evenings out, holidays and general good company. Are you the one for me? **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 176924**

WALK OF LIFE Self-assured, strong-minded and motivated Bampton girl, 72, just looking to meet a friendly, trustworthy male, for a special and lasting relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 156046**

LONG LASTING HAPPINESS Lonely 72 year old Abingdon-On-Thames lady, widow, blonde, blue eyes, like river walks, music, pets, coast and meals out. Would like to meet a genuine, happy gent for companionship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 180986 or send a text to 80360**

Men seeking women

CARING & CONSIDERATE Kind-hearted, active Oxford man, 38, enjoys staying fit, playing sports and fine dining with friends and family, would like to meet a similar female, for companionship and love. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 147290 or send a text to 80360**

FEEL THE LOVE Lively and loyal Oxford male, 40, 5'10'', medium build, enjoys motorbikes, clubs, cinema, dining and more, simply searching for a loving and kind woman, to share friendship and happy times. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 117999**

QUALITY COUNTS Bright, upbeat and happy Oxfordshire man, 42, with personality and a love of life, would like a date with a bubbly, tender, warm-hearted girl, then to share the good times and great company. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 111253 or send a text to 80360**

MAKE A REAL MATCH Well-organised, romantic and reliable Hemel Hempstead man, 42, 5'10'', likes keeping fit at the gym and cosy evenings in, seeking a tidy, sincere woman, for happiness, love and laughter. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 154001 or send a text to 80360**

ARE YOU MY KIND? Kind, caring, 43 year old Oxford male, 5'10'', slim build, own car, likes meals out, music, the beach, cinema, pubs and travel. Seeking female between 20-40 for long-term relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 172910**

WANT TO SMILE AGAIN Loyal and fun Oxford-based male, 44, 5'8'', medium build, enjoys the beach, cinema, music and pubs, just looking for a loving female, for a lasting and happy relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 180833 or send a text to 80360**

LUCKY IN LOVE? Oxford male, 47, 5'9'', medium build, own flat and car, genuine, honest and caring. Looking for a slim, mature lady, 50-62, to enjoy days out, seaside and nights in and out together. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 174567 or send a text to 80360**

THIS ENCHANTED EVENING Understanding, caring, 47 year old Oxford male, 5'11'', brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys walks in the countryside, old pubs, fitness, sports. Seeks an affectionate female, 40-50, for a relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 170899**

HEY HEY HEY Friendly, music loving male, 47, going to gigs and plays guitar, looking to meet a loving lady with similar interests for friendship, leading to more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 150863 or send a text to 80360**

COME CLOSER Active, kind-hearted and upbeat Oxford bloke, 48, 6'3'', looking to find an insightful, liberal woman, for fun and maybe a little romance. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 130080**

HOPE SPRINGS ETERNAL Kind, caring, down-to-earth Thame male, 48, enjoys music, country walks, cooking, reading, films, seeking a kind, sincere, slim female, 25+. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 137427**

MADE FOR EACH OTHER Happy-go-lucky Abingdon-On-Thames male, 48, 5'9'', medium build, short hair, likes walks, cinema, social drink, quiet pubs, seeking a nice woman, for friendship and hopefully more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 166651 or send a text to 80360**

LOVE THE ONE YOU'RE WITH Friendly, warm-hearted Abingdon male, 52, good sense of humour, would like to meet a caring, well-matured girl, to enjoy good times together. Is you're looking for true love then get in touch. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 115894**

LOOKING FOR THE ANSWER Caring, honest, 54 year old Oxford male, good sense of humour, enjoy pubs, eating out and cinema. Seeks a like-minded lady for a long-term relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 178197 or send a text to 80360**

FUN AND ENJOYMENT Kind, caring and reliable, 54 year old Oxford male, like coastal walks, the countryside, animals, eating out, cosy nights in, history, DIY, cooking, seeking a female for a long-term relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 171063**

ALL TO LOVE Kind and caring Oxfordshire male, 54, brown hair, green eyes, GSOH, searching for a nice, genuine girl, for friendship first, then maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 461278**

TAKE CHARGE Bright, humorous and optimistic Banbury man, 57, would like a date with a chatty, active woman, for good times and great company. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 132836**

MAKE A DATE Young-at-heart, blue-eyed Wallingford man, 58, good sense of humour, enjoys dancing, would like to meet a friendly lady, to get to know each other and see where that leads to. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 159203 or send a text to 80360**

COME ALIVE Ambitious, unconventional and focused Bampton / Burford / Carterton man, 60, would like to find a protective, committed female, for friendship and romance. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 160696 or send a text to 80360**

BY MOONLIGHT Upbeat and faithful Burford chap, 60, widowed, own home and car, hard-working, loves days out, drives, walks, the countryside and more, now looking for a similar woman, for true company. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 117916 or send a text to 80360**

KEEPING WITH THE TIMES Happy go lucky, blue-eyed Banbury man, 61, 5'6'', slim build, likes gardening, cinema, meals out, travel, country side and 60s music, seeks genuine lady, for friendship maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 156014 or send a text to 80360**

PASSION FLOWER Creative, instinctive and sympathetic Wallingford man, 61, looking for an approachable, helpful female, to share the future with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 101122**

DECISION IS YOURS Honest, easygoing Yorkshire man living in Banbury, 61, 5'6'', slim build, self employed, likes gardening, cooking, cinema, travel, countryside, seeks genuine lady, to share life with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 140930**

LOCAL LADY? Polite, honest, genuine, 62 year old Wallingford male, 6ft, widower, wear glasses, like staying in, going out, movies and weekends away. Seeks a nice, honest female for company and friendship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 173013**

SERIOUS ABOUT A RELATIONSHIP? Fun, fit, 62 year old Oxfordshire guy, would like to meet a nice lady for friendship and hopefully a long-term relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 179793 or send a text to 80360**

POSITIVE ATTITUDE Fit Latino male, 63, looking for someone who can share fun, life in general and hopefully love with. Oxford. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 460522**

SOUND LIKE YOUR MATCH? Tall, handsome, fit Abingdon male, 63, slim build, enjoys DIY, gardening, travel and walking, seeking a slim, petite, adventurous female, for good company and to enjoy a happy life with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 159314**

EYES ON THE PRIZE Warm-hearted, active and outgoing man, 65, looking for a shy, considerate female, for fun times and happiness. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 151562 or send a text to 80360**

PUT THAT SPARK BACK IN MY LIFE Humorous, retired Bedford male, 65, 5'10'', N/S, social drinker, enjoys sport, travel, music and much more, would like to meet that special lady, to put some sparkle back into life. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 153563 or send a text to 80360**

FAMILY LIFE Well educated male, 59, I live in Oxford. I'm an active guy and run my own business. I have children and grand children. Interests: music/comedy. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 455368**

MORE IN TIME Thoughtful, kind, self-employed Witney male, 66, loves cinema, theatre, eating out and more, searching for a serious-minded lady, for a loving and supportive relationship. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 109413 or send a text to 80360**

TO THE FUTURE Loyal, honest and sensible North Oxfordshire gent, 66, 5'9'', solvent, enjoys soul music, motorsport, classic cars and more, searching for a charming, feminine lady, for future happiness. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 180701**

WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD Tender, fit and romantic Oxford man, 67, would like to find a woman interested in the arts for friendship, sharing some of life's memorable moments including concerts and long country walks. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 150131**

MAKE EACH OTHER HAPPY Kind-natured, 67 year old Milton Keynes male, like pubs, karaoke and quizzes. Would like to meet a nice woman for friendship and to enjoy dates. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 181736 or send a text to 80360**

ARE YOU MY DREAM? Young-looking, solvent, loyal, 68 year old male, Oxfordshire, various interests, travel, cinema, music, ect. and new adventures, seeks a nice, loyal, feminine lady for companionship initially. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 132140**

IT'S A BEAUTIFUL DAY Loyal, genuine, solvent Oxfordshire male, 68, 5'9'', 11st, own home and car, retired professional, loves music, theatre and exploring new ideas, seeks an attractive, feminine lady, to share life. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 104998**

START OF A NEW JOURNEY Cheerful, slim, fit Banbury male, 71, ex forces, GSOH, likes sport, walks, animals and cosy evenings in, searching for a decent, positive lady, to settle down with and share a happy future. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 104901 or send a text to 80360**

SEE FOR YOURSELF Youthful, faithful, liberal and sympathetic Middlesbrough man, 74, looking for a sweet, sensitive woman, for good times and great company. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 141502**

DANCE INTO TOMORROW Fun, talkative and friendly Oxford guy, 79, non smoker, likes social drinks from time to time, just hoping to meet a bubbly, confident lady, to build a loving and lasting relationship with. **Call 0905 005 2359 and enter box number 100937**

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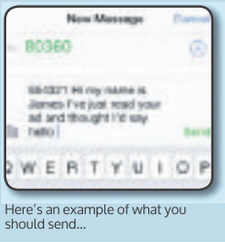

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Painting perfect picture of a landscape master

MR TURNER (12A, 150 mins) Drama/Romance. Timothy Spall, Paul Jesson, Dorothy Atkinson, Marion Bailey, Karl Johnson, Ruth Sheen, Lesley Manville, Sandy Foster, Amy Dawson, Nicholas Jones, James Fleet. Director: Mike Leigh.

On his deathbed, celebrated landscape painter and watercolourist Joseph Mallord William Turner, who was a divisive figure in the 19th-century art world, reportedly lamented, "So I am to become a non-entity."

Mike Leigh's impeccably crafted biopic, which concentrates on the final 25 years of the artist's career, ensures the genius of Turner lives on.

Anchored by a magnificent central performance from Timothy Spall, *Mr Turner* is another glorious ensemble piece from the writer-director of *Topsy-Turvy* and *Vera Drake*.

Developed through improvisational workshops, which are the trademark of Leigh's filmmaking process, the script melds historical fact with personal interpretation to burrow deep beneath the surface of the characters and expose the desires and fears which drove some to greatness and others to despair.

When it comes to greatness, Spall's embodiment of an artist with few social graces and a surplus of talent is the stuff that Oscars were made of.

The London-born actor spent two years learning how to paint like Turner so he could convincingly hold a brush and palette in front of the camera, allowing Leigh to capture visceral scenes of artistic creativity in full flow.

Mr Turner opens with the breathtaking image of the artist capturing the rising sun over fields in Belgium.

He returns to London and the home he shares with his father William (Paul Jesson) and housekeeper Hannah Danby (Dorothy Atkinson).

The relationship between the two men is sketched in exquisite, heart-warming detail in these early scenes, with Turner warmly embracing his "daddy".

Turner channels his energy into his work, which continues to raise eyebrows at the Royal Academy Of Arts.

"The universe is chaotic and you make us see it," observes Turner's good friend Mary Somerville (Lesley Manville).

During excursions to Margate, Turner meets Mrs Booth (Marion Bailey) and her husband (Karl Johnson) and rents a room from the couple so he can paint seascapes by the morning light.

The burgeoning relationship between the artist and Mrs Booth sweetens the bitter pill of William's passing and Turner continues to clash with the artistic establishment, represented here by Sir John Soane (Nicholas Jones) and his coterie.

Mr Turner is a glorious period piece that offers us a glimpse behind the canvasses of a misunderstood maverick, who notes at one point, "When I peruse myself in a looking glass, I see a gargoyle."

Spall is imperious and Leigh surrounds his lead star with an impeccable supporting cast of familiar faces including Jesson as an honest, hard-working man of the world who believed "the rain falls, the sun shines and the onions grow" and Atkinson as the housekeeper who allows Turner to use her to sate his sexual desires.

The 150-minute running time passes too quickly, holding our attention with ravishing costumes and period detail as well as a haunting orchestral score from composer Gary Yershon.

Very nearly a masterpiece.

A scene from *Mr Turner*, with Timothy Spall playing Joseph Mallord William Turner

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Music

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Ashmolean Museum, Beaumont Street, Oxford: Oxford Philomusica Chamber Series.The Sculpture Gallery provides the stunning backdrop for Haydn's 'Lark' Quartet. Tickets £25. 7.15pm. 01865 980980.

SATURDAY:

Christ Church Cathedral, St Aldate's, Oxford: "We Will Remember Them". 8pm. Christ Church Cathedral Choir pairs some of the most poignant musical reflections of the Great War by Parry, Butterworth, Gurney and Vaughan Williams. £10 - £42, students & under 18s from £5. Box office: 01865 244806 or at musicatoxford.com

St Michael's at the Northgate, Cornmarket, Oxford: Concert for Remembrance. The vOx chamber choir sing music from the Renaissance to the 20th century with a theme of remembrance. £10/£5 (students). 7:30pm.

Oxford Town Hall, St Aldates, Oxford: A concert to mark the 300th anniversary of Dr John Radcliffe. *Carmina Burana* by Carl Orff; *The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra* by Benjamin Britten; and the world premiere of *Tingewick* by local composer Jill Elliott. All profits go to the British Heart Foundation and Motor Neurone Disease Association. £18/£15; free for children under ten. 7:30pm. Tickets from oxfordplayhouse.com/tickets oxford/ or on 01865 305305.

SUNDAY:

Hertford College Chapel, Catte Street, Oxford: For Remembrance Sunday, Hertford College Chapel Choir and Orchestra give the English premiere of Polish Composer Pawe³ £ukaszewski's *Requiem*. Free with collection in aid of choir tour fund. 5.45pm. 07979 191246.

Theatre

THURSDAY:

New Theatre, George Street, Oxford: *The Full Monty*. 7.30pm. Runs until Saturday. The play by Simon Beaufoy. Mat Sat 2.30pm. £11.90-£35.40 + trans. fee. 0844 871 3020.

FRIDAY:

The North Wall Arts Centre, South Parade, Oxford: *Dare to Sea*.1.30pm. A magical journey for children and adults, *Dare to Sea* is a Franco-British collaboration bringing together dancers, circus and visual artists. £10 (concessions £7). 01865 319450.

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Banbury FA Trophy match victory is denied in the dying minutes

Last-gasp shock

TABLES

EVO-STIK SOUTHERN LEAGUE
Premier Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Poole T	16	13	2	1	34	11	41
Corby T	17	11	3	3	30	19	36
St Neots T	18	10	5	3	38	26	35
Redditch Utd	17	9	3	5	34	21	30
Weymouth	13	9	2	2	27	17	29
Truro City	19	9	2	8	30	30	29
Hungerford	18	8	4	6	23	14	28
Dunstable T	17	8	4	5	33	26	28
Cirencester T	17	6	7	4	34	19	25
Chesham Utd	16	6	6	4	31	22	24
Slough T	17	6	6	5	30	32	24
Hitchin T	16	7	2	7	24	22	23
Chippenhm T	15	6	3	6	21	19	21
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Biggleswade	16	5	5	6	21	23	20
Hereford Utd	19	5	5	9	23	30	20
Paulton Rov	17	4	5	8	24	27	17
Dorchester T	15	5	2	8	20	25	17
Burnham	17	5	2	10	27	36	17
Bideford	17	5	2	10	32	47	17
Arlesey T	17	4	4	9	16	31	16
Histon	16	4	3	9	18	28	15
Frome T	15	4	2	9	19	37	14
Banbury Utd	**17**	**3**	**1**	**13**	**15**	**43**	**10**

Banbury scorer Adeyinka Talabi

BANBURY United were denied victory in the FA Trophy first qualifying round by Matt Sysum's stoppage-time equaliser at Southern League Division 1 South & West side Evesham United.

Banbury had enjoyed a let-off in the 29th minute when Leigh Bedwell saved Ashley Edenborough's penalty.

However, the visitors fell behind in the 40th minute when Harry Williams netted.

Darius Browne levelled with a far-post header.

Evesham had Edenborough sent off in the 66th for a poor tackle on David Lynn.

And Banbury went in front through Adeyinka Talabi, but they couldn't hang on and the sides will replay the match.

Evesham Utd 2
(Williams 40, Sysum 90+2)
Banbury Utd 2
(Brown 58, Talabi 71)

Banbury Utd: Bedwell, Cray, Lynn (Mzungwana 76), Hartigan (Talabi 46), White, Westbrook, Hawtin, Martin, Walcott, Howards, Browne (Green 80). Subs not used: Tappin, Jervis.
Attendance: 268.

● SLOUGH Town have written to the Southern League asking to be awarded the three points for last week's Premier Division game at Banbury, which was abandoned after the referee was struck by a bottle.

Ardley dreams are shattered

Ardley boss Kevin Brock

ARDLEY United's hopes of a big run in the FA Vase first round were dashed with a shock 2-1 defeat at home to Western League Division 1 strugglers **Chippenham Park**.

The hosts fell behind in the 23rd minute when Mark Robinson headed home Jordan Coulter's cross to the far post.

But Ardley were level six minutes later with Joe Eyre shooting home from 18 yards. However, Chippenham grabbed what proved to be the winner after 67 minutes when George Nash crashed a shot in off the underside of the crossbar.

● **Hook Norton** went out 2-0 at home to Wessex League side **Newport IOW**. First-half goals from Scott Jones and Tom McInnes sealed the Oxfordshire side's fate.

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LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22
Love and hate could well seem one and the same thing for you at times where a certain person is concerned. It's make or break by Friday and, if it's making up you'll be doing, then it looks like you'll have finally found how to compromise. You've done a lot of growing up either way and I am proud of who you've become. You should be too! Call now to grab the opportunities ahead of you.
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TAURUS Apr 20-May 20
Use your stars to gain a better understanding of the relationships in your life. Mercury, the planet of communication, helps you to work out who is an asset and who is holding you back. The chance to make your career more suited to your needs comes with midweek communications which others initiate. Ring now to hear why I don't want you to regret last week's intense dramas.
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SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 21
Family are making it hard for you to be honest with them about what has really transpired in recent days and weeks. Do you really have to explain to them what is going on? Or do you deserve to have a level of privacy? You must answer this question Scorpio, but don't feel pressured to live your life under such scrutiny. Call now to hear why I think you should be proud of your actions.
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GEMINI May 21-Jun 20
Travel could well come with its fair set of difficulties and setbacks so try to adopt a laid back attitude and have a back-up plan in place where possible. Money you're owed or waiting for may also be late in coming, although not as late as you'll at first think. Planning is everything this week, and can turn problems into opportunities. Ring now to hear how love and white lies play out intriguingly.
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SAGITTARIUS Nov 22-Dec 21
Your energy levels return and you start to focus on what can be done, rather than what can't. Someone you thought you could trust in business lets you down, but try to see that this is your opportunity to prove how well you can perform when under pressure. News on your career before Thursday gives your reason to be really excited. Ring now to make the most of your stars.
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CANCER Jun 21-Jul 22
Don't trust friend's advice. They only want to see dramatics unfold. You also need to ask yourself if you would want the life they've chosen to lead? If the answer is no, then you need to be seeking your answers elsewhere, namely from yourself my friend. Offers of travel are serious, and need not cost you dearly. Ring now to hear who's worth more of your time and energy.
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CAPRICORN Dec 22-Jan 19
You have your naughty head on, so you'll be trying to do whatever you've been told not to do. Be careful how far you go with relationships, as you don't want to ruin everything you've spent this month building up now, do you? Family dramas come to a head and Saturn reveals to you who was responsible for starting a rumour which upset several lives. Ring now for more on life and love.
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LEO Jul 23-Aug 22
You can't lie anymore can you Leo? That means only one thing, the truth is going to come out and you are going to let others know what was making you unhappy. This could mean a major life change ahead for some of you Leos. A forced work change is not what you planned but can be to your advantage if you use it to look for better solutions to a contractual or financial issue. Ring now for details.
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AQUARIUS Jan 20-Feb 18
New friends show you a better way of life and prove to you that you were being taken advantage of. This means we could see a few confrontations along the way in the next seven days, but try to ensure that they're discussions rather than arguments. Family bring good news which appears to imply you get more free time from this week. Ring now so I can reveal all.
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VIRGO Aug 23-Sep 22
Don't make promises which you may have to break or you will only look and feel the fool later Virgo. Keep an open diary. This is an especially lucky week for those of you beginning new relationships. Your element of earth is keeping you grounded and letting the real you shine and come to the fore. Ring me to hear why it's worth honouring this weekend's social commitments.
0906 585 4365

PISCES Feb 19-Mar 20
Someone who used to be a big part of your world now seems to be the person who is responsible for bringing stress and grief to your life. You may feel despondent about relationships, but fear not as by Thursday someone is going to be restoring your faith and putting a very large smile on your face. Give me a ring now to hear why this is the perfect time for you to make that career change.
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Hi-tech help keeps punchy Civic safe

By David Duffy

EVEN travelling at 5mph the Honda Civic SR bristles with technology designed to keep you out of scrapes. An array of sensors, a colour camera and warning beeps ensure only the truly idiotic can get themselves into trouble.

Increase your speed and even more equipment — from collision warning to blind spot alert — silently kicks in to keep watch and ensure safe travel.

The refreshed version of the Swindon-built Civic hatchback has been modified to enhance handling.

Engineering changes are subtle but on the road the Civic feels more agile and responsive, thanks to re-tuned front and rear dampers; while the electronic power steering has been tweaked to improve high-speed stability and the rear suspension has been re-aligned to further improve handling.

With manufacturers working ever harder to squeeze more power from much smaller engines, the pokey power plant in the test car is becoming something of an endangered species. The firm-riding test car's engine was a 1.8-litre unit whose upside was bags of punchy power with the downside of increased fuel consumption and higher emissions.

Priced from about £17,000, other engine choices are a 1.4-litre petrol and the new star of the range, a fuel-efficient 1.6-litre diesel.

Honda's aim with the styling changes was to produce a more sports-inspired look and feel and it has proved successful.

The external styling tweaks focus on the rear of the car, with the introduction of privacy glass on the rear windows, along with smoke-coloured rear lights and a new tailgate sporting a piano black finish.

Its front end also has a new piano black insert, matched by darker wheelarch finishes and new 17-inch aluminium wheels, finished in silver and black.

Honda is offering a comprehensive care package covering servicing, warranty and roadside assistance for five years for the fixed price of just £500. Not surprisingly more than 90 per cent of buyers have taken up the offer. The 2014 Civic also offers, as a £780 option on all SE Plus, SR and EX Plus models, a comprehensive range of advanced safety systems known as the 'driver assistance safety pack' which was introduced recently on the new Civic Tourer.

Using a combination of cameras, sensors and radar, the pack includes everything from a city-braking system, forward collision warning and automatic high beam, to traffic sign recognition and blind spot warning.

Also included is a 'cross traffic monitor' that uses sensors to warn of vehicles approaching from the side when reversing. So whether travelling at low or high speed, the Civic is designed to deliver peace of mind.

SHARP HANDLING: The Civic re-tuned suspension makes it feel more responsive

Auto facts

Model: Honda Civic 1.8 i-VTEC SR
Price: £23,355
Insurance group: 15E (1-50)
Fuel consumption (Combined): 46.3mpg
Top speed: 134mph
Length: 431.5cm/170in
Width: 177cm/69.7in
Luggage capacity: 16.8 cu ft
Fuel tank capacity: 11 gallons/ 50 litres
CO2 emissions: 145g/km
Warranty: Three years/90,000 miles

Wheelsanddeals

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- PEUGEOT is rising to the challenge of greener motoring by unveiling new Euro 6-compliant versions of its most popular models. Fitted with three-cylinder PureTech and 1.6-litre THP four-cylinder petrol engines, and with ultra-low emission BlueHDi diesels, all are equipped with Stop & Start technology.
- **FORD'S three-millionth UK-built small-capacity diesel engine has rolled off the line at Ford's manufacturing centre at Dagenham.**

Newcarnews

New Volvo off-roader sells out quickly

THE First Edition of the all-new Volvo XC90 – 1,927 individually numbered cars only available for sale via digital commerce – sold out in 47 hours after it was released. Most of the cars were reserved within one hour from sales start. At its peak, seven cars were sold every minute.

UK customers secured 55 of the First Edition models, which will be delivered in April 2015.

"We are very pleased, but not really surprised," said Alain Visser, Senior Vice President, Marketing, Sales and Customer Service of Volvo Car Group. "The huge interest in the XC90 escalated to astronomical levels after the world-première last week."

An innovative sales launch saw the First Edition cars, which celebrate the year Volvo was founded, made available to customers online only at www.volvocars.com The 1,927 First Edition owners will get a car with numbered tread plates and distinctive tailgate badge.

"The first buyers signed up for their favourite number in milliseconds. The rapid response confirms that the XC90 is a truly iconic car model. The First Edition will be a collector's item in the future," said Alain Visser.

The Onyx Black exterior and eight-spoke, 21-inch inscription wheels are combined with an interior featuring nappa leather seats, leather dashboard and walnut inlays.

UK First Edition models will be powered by a high-performance diesel engine from Volvo Cars' new four-cylinder Drive-E powertrains. The D5 twin turbo diesel engine has 225hp and is teamed with an eight-speed automatic transmission.

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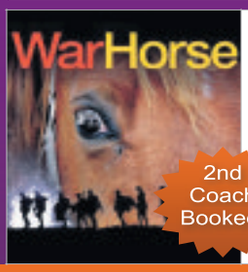

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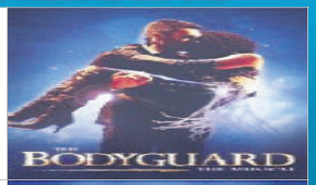

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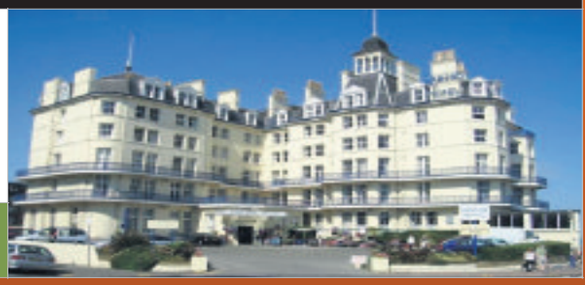

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